

## NEW COAL LAND AREA IN SPRING CANYON SOON

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request that it be carefully read by all interested. A meeting will be held in Room 448, state capitol on June 30th, of those interested in the coal mining industry and a final set of rules adopted.

### AROUND THE LOCAL CAMPS: PERSONAL AND OTHERWISE

Two hundred miners were killed by an explosion of fire-damp in the Yuhari mines at Sapporo, on the island of Yezo, Japan, last Thursday.

An embargo on the supply of cars for movement of bituminous coal in various lots to any Lake Erie ports for shipment by water except on a permit was ordered Saturday by the interstate commerce commission, effective June 18th.

After some thirty years service with the Utah Fuel company at its Winter Quarters mine, Thomas J. Parsley has now retired. He is succeeded by Thomas Harvey, formerly of that camp, but lately of Sunnyside, Bishop Paralely is at present recreating at Castle Gate.

Fifty-seven bituminous coal miners and operators who entered pleas of not guilty to charges of violating Sec. 9 of the Lever act in federal court at Indianapolis, Ind., last week, will be tried November 8th. The men are specifically charged with conspiracy to limit the production and distribution of coal and to enhance the price thereof.

The Denver and Rio Grande continues to send three hundred cars of coal daily west over Soldier Summit, and the Utah railway is handling a hundred to a hundred and fifty cars. The great bulk of this is bound for Pacific Coast points. The Denver and Rio Grande is receiving more cars from the east, and if this can only be maintained, the local car situation will shortly become easier.

Thomas Russell, who has had long service in the position of assistant superintendent of the Diamond Coal and Coke company mines, is mentioned as the successor to Thomas Snedden, the mine superintendent, who died last recently at his Diamondville home. Russell, a son-in-law of the late Superintendent Snedden, is now superintendent of a big Utah mining property. He has not yet accepted.

One hundred and ninety-three miners are believed to have been killed by the explosion of a dynamite depot at Anima, the great Hungarian coal and iron mining center fifty-five miles southeast of Temesvar, according to a dispatch from the latter city last Saturday. Some thirty-six others were seriously injured. A hundred and seventy-three bodies have been an explosion of fire-damp in the just as the miners were leaving a shaft.

To continue the survey of the coal lands of the state under the direction of the state board of equalization and assessment, several are appointed to make the surveys. Prof. William Peterson, now employed by the board at seventy-five dollars a month, increased to \$4000 a year, dating from June 1st; David Bailey, \$135 per month from May 5th; David Heywood, \$125 per month from May 18th, and G. Y. Craft, \$100 per month from May 22d. The appointments are approved by the state board of examiners.

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### ATTORNEY GENERAL GOES AFTER THE COAL BARONS

WASHINGTON, D. C., June 17.—A drive on profiteers in bituminous coal was ordered today by Attorney General Palmer. All federal district attorneys were ordered to give special attention to charges of such profiteering and to seek indictment where investigation warranted. "The department of justice," said Palmer's instructions, "is receiving a number of letters in which complaint is made that bituminous coal prices at the mines now range from seven to eleven dollars a ton with a further increase imminent. The writers say that operators are attributing the advance in pay to car shortage and export demand, emphasis being placed upon the export demand.

"Production cost figures gathered by the federal trade commission from a thousand and fifty-eight bituminous coal operators in the principal production mining districts numbering roughly about 60 per cent of the annual output, show that during January, 1928, their costs per ton averaged \$2.32 at the mines. Since then there has been an increase of 27 per cent in the cost of labor, enhancing the production cost to \$2.79 per ton. The accuracy of these figures is borne out by information in letters coming to the department from purchasers of coal, from which it appears that prices in May did not greatly exceed those furnished to the federal trade commission for January.

"This situation surely demands the prompt attention of all United States attorneys. Please give special attention to the matter and seek indictments where investigation discloses that an unreasonable profit has been taken, advising the department of action taken."

### Discredits Stories.

WASHINGTON, D. C., June 16.—National business is being "pared down," through emphases and priorities, to fit the capacity of the country's railroads, George H. Cushing, managing director of the American Wholesale Coal association, declared today in an address before the City club of Washington. Cushing, who is the shippers representative on the local terminal committee appointed by the interstate commerce commission, said his remarks should not be construed as a criticism of the agencies now working to overcome freight congestion. He said coal production since April 1st has increased on an average of 855,800 tons per week over last year, giving a total increase in that period of 7,700,000,000 tons. "Last year, with much smaller production, we accumulated sufficient storage to help tide us over the worst miners' strike in history," he continued. "Running ahead now of last year's production, I cannot believe the current statements that we are running headlong into any dreadful shortage of coal."

### Mine Officials Held.

PITTSBURG, Kan., June 16.—Six officials of the Kansas branch of the United Mine Workers of America were found guilty of contempt in the Crawford county district court here today and were sentenced to the county jail to serve until they were ready to testify before the Kansas court of industrial relations. The men were James Mellorath and H. H. Maxwell, board members; Thomas Cunningham, traveling auditor, and John Steele, Willard Titus and John Fleming, joint board members. Upon an appeal of the mine workers attorney, Phil H. Callery, a stay of execution was granted by Judge A. J. Curran and the men were released on bonds of two thousand dollars each. The case is to be appealed to the Kansas supreme court.

### In Absolute Want.

COLUMBUS, O., June 17.—Though miners are receiving the highest wages ever paid them, and the demand for coal is far in excess of the supply, many Ohio miners are actually suffering from hunger, according to George W. Savage, secretary of the Ohio United Mine Workers. Miners at Byesville say they have been averaging only one day's work a week for some time, owing to the car shortage. According to Savage, mines furnishing railroad fuel are able to operate on fulltime, and he severely criticized the interstate commerce commission for alleged discrimination.

Judge George Christensen began the capital June term of district court for Carbon county at Price last Friday. The only criminal case on the docket was that of the state against Francisco Almeida, charged with second degree murder for the killing of a sheepherder, out on Coal Creek a short while ago. This charge was dismissed and a new one of first degree murder placed against Almeida. M. P. Bratter represents the defendant and G. K. Gray, district attorney, for the state. The attorneys agreed to this. Since Friday the court has been occupied with civil matters, divorces, probate cases and the like.

Price's city fathers are on a deal with the Denver and Rio Grande whereby it is proposed the latter shall pay to the city twenty-five thousand dollars and turn over its rights in Carbon Springs water. In return the city is to supply the railroad with water at points from Price to Colton at such figures as it obtains at Salt Lake City. Price and elsewhere along the line in Utah. Chief Engineer Guyon and eight of War Agent Mock are expected here any day now to go into the matter with the mayor, the council and the advisory board to the latter.

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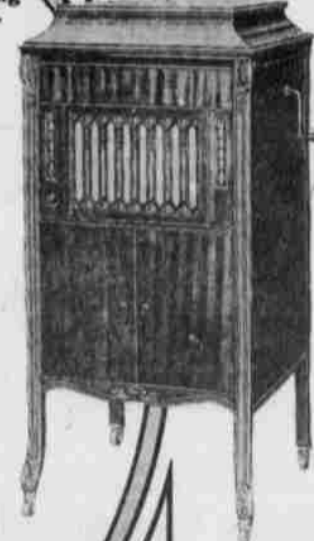
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### DANGER HAS PASSED.

Danger of a flood on the Green river and the Price river has passed, according to W. E. Dickinson, assistant engineer of the Salt Lake City office of the water resources branch of the United States geological survey, who returned to Zion last Wednesday after measuring these streams. Dickinson also computed the flow of Fish Creek and the principal streams of Castle Valley. In all cases he found that the water had reached its highest level and was on the decline.